

COUNTY MINERS TO VOTE ON 'VACATION' STRIKE

TWO DEAD, ONE FATALLY INJURED WHEN TRAIN HITS RAMSON PARTY

TRAGEDY TRAILS AUTO LOAD BOUND FOR BALL GAME WOMEN ARE KILLED

DRIVER OF CAR WRECKED NEAR
ODELL THOUGHT TO BE BE-
YOND HOPE IN PONTIAC HOS-
PITAL—MOTHER AND STEP-
DAUGHTER THE VICTIMS.

Streator, Sept. 13.—[Special.]—Two are dead, a third dying and two others escaped serious injury by only a miracle, when a Chicago & Alton engine hauling a lone caboose, crashed into the Studebaker touring car owned and driven by Paul Gischwind, a prominent resident of Ransom, yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock near Odell, Ill.

The dead:
MRS. GEORGE MILLER, 38, of Ransom, wife of the manager of the Ransom baseball team.

LILA MILLER, 17, daughter of George Miller and stepdaughter of the dead woman.

The seriously injured:
PAUL GISCHEWIND, driver, Gischwind was rushed to the hospital in Pontiac, suffering from internal injuries. Thought to be dying.

The accident occurred just north of Odell, where the Chicago & Alton railroad tracks cross the highway leading from Ransom to Odell. Mrs. Miller's husband, George Miller, who is manager of the Ransom baseball team, had gone to Odell with the team earlier in the day. His wife, who was instantly killed, her stepdaughter, Lila, Miss Violet Richards, Paul Gischwind and his brother, Philip, were on their way to witness the game between Ransom and Odell, which was to take place at 3 o'clock at Odell. As they were a bit late and would have to make quick time to get there in time to see the game, Gischwind was going at a lively clip.

A Dangerous Crossing.
The place where the accident occurred is a very dangerous crossing to traffic. A large barn and some sheds obstruct the view from the right, making it impossible for automobile drivers to see trains going east. Besides the blindness making it dangerous for tourists, there is an incline in the road just before reaching the tracks and the road is very jumpy and rough.

Gischwind, it is said by those who witnessed the horrible accident, slowed up before reaching the crossing, but did not come to a full stop. He is said to have tried to look both ways but did not see the train or hear the whistle of the engine, which the next instant killed two of his party. Just as he was on the railroad crossing, it is said, he killed his engine. At that time it was too late, as the train carrying a lone caboose, which was going at a high rate of speed, struck the automobile squarely, dragging it for several hundred feet, and at the same time grinding it to bits, instantly killing one of its occupants, while another died immediately after the accident on the way to the Pontiac hospital.

The many people on foot, going to the ball game, hurried to where the engine had stopped. Mrs. Miller was already dead, while the other four in the party were all unconscious. Lila, the 17 year old daughter of Mrs. Miller; Violet Richards, and the two Gischwind brothers, were rushed to the Pontiac hospital in an effort to save their lives. On the way Lila Miller breathed her last, while aid was given immediately to the Gischwinds and Miss Richards.

Upon investigation it was discovered that Paul Gischwind, the driver of the automobile, was seriously injured internally and his death is only a question of time. His brother, Philip, and Miss Richards, it is said, will recover, although they are severely bruised and scratched up as a result of the collision and will probably be scarred for the rest of their lives.

A large number of residents of Odell witnessed the fatal accident, as all eyes were centered on the train which was going at a high rate of speed. Before they could give any warning whatever, Gischwind's car was smashed into the tracks and the train had passed into it.

Prominent in Ransom.
The party, Mrs. Miller and daughter Lila, Miss Richards and Philip and Paul Gischwind, are very prominent residents of Ransom and are

SUNSHINE ALL THAT IS NECESSARY FOR SUCCESS OF FAIR

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR
BIG EXPOSITION WHICH OPENS
TOMORROW—PUMPKINS AND
FAT STOCK TO RULE DURING
WEEK.

Tomorrow morning at sunrise, when the wheels start moving for the La Salle county fair, which is to be open to the public on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week, the gates on the grounds will open on the most successful year in history, provided the weather is favorable. To day every inch of display space was gone and more than two times as many concessions than were ever erected in any previous year were on the grounds.

There will be exclamations of delight as the visitors pass through the various exhibition halls, more beautiful objects being entered there this year than ever before. The auto and machinery show has more than filled machinery hall, and several tents containing exhibits have been pressed into service. The stock show will delight the agriculturists and stock raisers, and men, women and children alike will be delighted with the pony show.

Open With Children's Day.
Tomorrow will be children's day, when every school child of La Salle county will be given a free admission ticket, and, judging by previous years, they will take advantage of seeing everything the fair grounds afford. Wednesday will be official Ottawa day, when all the business houses in the city will close at noon. A program of athletic stunts will be pulled off in front of the amphitheater. The official racing program will not start until Wednesday afternoon.

Concessions Pack Grounds.
Concessions stand have been crammed in every nook and corner. There will be all kinds of booths where people dolls, fancy pin cushions, jewelry, dishes, vases, etc., can be obtained for throwing balls in jars, crockeryware, etc. There will be some shows along the pike and all kinds of features, but a fortune telling booth—the law prohibiting such an attraction, however, will be strictly enforced. Several local people or organizers have erected stands for eating houses, where all kinds of good things to eat will be served.

Taking everything into consideration, unless the weather is going, the time the fair is going, the center cannot be anything but a decided success, all the arrangements being so well made.

FRED SEIFFERT DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Fred Seiffert, aged 71, died Saturday night at 9:15, at his home, 723 Mulberry street, following an illness of fifteen weeks of a complication of diseases. The deceased had made his home in Ottawa for the past thirty-nine years, having come here when he was but two years old. He is one of the pioneer harness makers of the city, having been employed for twenty-five years with the William Hayne Harness company, and for a number of years at the W. H. Kelly harness shop.

During his long residence in Ottawa he has made a great many friends who regret to learn of his passing. He was well liked by all who knew him on account of his many sterling qualities of character.

Mr. Seiffert was born in Alsace-Lorraine, April 10, 1849, and was the son of George and Margaret Seiffert. When but two years of age he came to Ottawa with his parents and has made his home here ever since.

Surviving he leaves his widow, one son Fred G. of Utica, and one daughter, Mrs. Fred Schultze of South Ottawa. He is also survived by two brothers, Albert of Lyons, Neb., and Philip of this city, and one grandson, George, of Utica.

The funeral service will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the family home and burial will be made in Riverside cemetery.



WIND STORM DRIVES TAGGERS FROM STREET; CUTS BIG HOLE IN RECEIPTS

SOLICITORS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH
NURSING ORGANIZATION COM-
PELLED TO ABANDON WORK
WHEN NEAR-CYCLONE HITS
LOOP SATURDAY NIGHT.

The storm of Saturday night played havoc with the Public Health Nursing Organization tag day and chased practically all of the taggers from the downtown streets. Instead of the usual \$500 which has been collected in previous years from the business district on Saturday night only about one-tenth that much was turned into the treasury, bringing the total collected during the day to \$957. As this sum is far below the amount needed for the visiting nurse work in Ottawa during the next year, it has been decided to tag on the downtown streets again next Saturday night.

The nurse's salary for one year alone is practically twice the amount taken in by Saturday's campaign, while there is office rent, auto upkeep, drug bills and numerous other incidental expenses which must be paid during the year from the organization's treasury. Last year practically \$1,200 was made through the annual tag day, and it is hoped to raise if not to exceed this amount this fall, as the price of drugs, etc., has increased since one year ago.

LAKE HONEYMOON HAS TRAGIC ENDING WHEN BRIDE DROWNS

GROOM STRUGGLES WITH CAP-
SIZED LAUNCH IN VAIN EFFORT
TO SAVE ARTIST WIFE—RES-
CUED AFTER EIGHTEEN HOURS
IN WATER.

Racine, Wis., Sept. 13.—The lake cruise honeymoon of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Jones, nee Amy Mitchell, both portrait artists, following an elopement to Crown Point, Ind., six weeks ago, ended in the drowning of the bride and the rescue of the groom after he had been in the waters of Lake Michigan for eighteen hours hanging to the hull of his mired motor launch.

Jones was rescued by the crew of the tug William J. six miles off Racine and was brought to a hospital here in a bruised and exhausted condition. He told a story that marine men marvel at.

Jones was rescued by the crew of the eighteen-foot motor launch, equipped with a square sail, and while in righting the boat he held his wife in his arms. He stated that he and his bride, whose relatives are prominent in Massachusetts, eloped and then decided to take their honeymoon on a launch designed by Jones and friends. They left Chicago three weeks ago, going as far as Wash-

CALL MASS MEETING OF DISTRICT UNIONS TONIGHT AT LA SALLE

(By the Associated Press)

Peru, September 13.—(Specil)---A movement to bring about a general strike among miners of the La Salle County and Bureau County districts, will

CRAWLS UNDER CARS BLOCKING CROSSING; DIES OF INJURIES

AGED MARSEILLES MAN TAKES
A CHANCE—FREIGHT MOVES
AS HE WAS ALMOST TO SAFETY
—FOOT AMPUTATED—EXPIRES
AT HOSPITAL.

As the result of having his right foot severed from his leg Saturday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock, while crawling under a string of freight cars, supposed to have been detached from the engine, in front of the Howe Davidson box factory in Marseilles, Thomas Babcock, Civil War veteran, aged 78 years, died at 12:00 o'clock the same night at Ryburn hospital from the effects of the shock and from loss of blood.

The accident came as a complete shock to the aged resident of Marseilles and happened at Young street, where the Rock Island tracks cross. A string of freight cars, which were being switched around, blocked the street and were thought to have been detached from the engine. Mr. Babcock had been standing there for several minutes waiting a chance to get over the crossing. Several small boys approached where he was standing and decided to crawl under the cars in order that they would not be delayed. Mr. Babcock, still believing that the cars were detached from the engine, decided to follow the boys. He had crawled through and was just about to reach the opposite side of the string of cars when without warning the string of cars moved catching his right foot underneath one of the wheels, severing it from the leg. Only one or two witnessed the accident which later proved fatal to the aged man.

He was immediately rushed to Ryburn hospital where doctors W. S. Roberts of this city attended him. At 12 o'clock, about ten hours after the accident, Mr. Babcock passed away.

Mr. Babcock was born in New York Aug. 9, 1844, and when but a young man moved to Marseilles, Ill., where he resided until the time of his death. Surviving he leaves three children, William Babcock of Kansas, Mrs. Jesse Maseet of Chicago, and two girls, Mrs. Alice Clam of Moline, Ill., and Mrs. Mary De Hart of New Jersey. Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. at the Methodist church in Marseilles. Interment will be made in Riverview cemetery, in that city.

COMBINATION OF GENERATIONS HERE

A party of ten from Clinton, Ill., visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Crowden, 613 First avenue, Sunday. In the party were two combinations of three and four generations. Mrs. Nellie Owen, granddaughter, Mrs. Guernsey Mallory, and a little great-granddaughter, Miss Lucy Lee Mallory. The third generation was Mrs. Lucy Porter, her daughter, Mrs. Hattie Porter Wilson, her son, John Wilson, and his sons, Joaquin Jr. and a pair of twins, Joe and John. Mrs. Maud Wilson, mother of the twins, was also a member of the party.

Another queer coincidence of the three generations of widows, the first three women of the four generations having lost their husbands. After dinner at the Crowden home the party visited Starved Rock and Deer Park, returning to Clinton in the evening.

Woolen Mills Open.
Lawrence, Mass., Sept. 12.—The four mills of the American Woolen company in this city, which shut down July 10 to resume operations in some departments today.

Quake Felt in Scotland.
Comrie, County of Perth, Scotland, Sept. 23.—An earthquake was felt here this morning. The inhabitants were awakened when beds and furniture were shaken by the shock.